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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (currently amended) A device for dispensing a liquid active substance into flushing water of a toilet bowl, comprising:

a supply container provided with an opening on an underside, and being fillable with the liquid active substance;

a carrying body retaining the supply container, said carrying body affixable on a rim of the toilet bowl,

a distributor plate retained on an underside of the carrying body, said distributor plate being reachable by the flushing water and having capillary channels which are connected to the opening of the supply container via distributor channels, wherein said distributor plate has an upright plug-in spike disposed beneath the opening in the underside of the supply container, said spike having an encircling groove, from which

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~~said distributor channels extend, said distributor channels being branched, wherein each distributor channel is connected to a plurality of said capillary channels.~~

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 1, wherein the distributor channels in the distributor plate branch at an acute angle, and a wedge is formed at each branching location.

4. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 1, wherein the distributor channels have a smaller cross section following each branching location than before the branching location, the sum of the cross sections of branched portions of the one of the distributor channels being at least equal to the cross section of a non-branched portion of the distributor channel.

5. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 1, wherein the distributor channels or the capillary channels have a

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V-shaped cross section and have an opening angle of between 40° and 120°.

6. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 1 ~~2~~, wherein the distributor channels extend in a circumferentially uniformly distributed manner from the annular groove and, running in an arcuate manner corresponding to a fountain, open out in an approximately aligned manner into the capillary channels.

7. (Currently Amended) A device for dispensing a liquid active substance into flushing water of a toilet bowl, comprising:

a supply container provided with an opening on an underside, and being fillable with the liquid active substance;

a carrying body retaining the supply container, said carrying body affixable on a rim of the toilet bowl,

a distributor plate retained on an underside of the carrying body, said distributor plate being reachable by the flushing water and having capillary channels which are connected to the opening of the supply container via distributor channels,

a resilient clip provided on the carrying body for the purpose of fixing the device on the rim of the toilet bowl,

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wherein the resilient clip has latching channels and is securable in a height-adjustable manner on the carrying body by latching means, ~~and integrally formed on a side wall of the carrying body;~~ and

abutments on both sides of the resilient clip which engage beneath the rim of the toilet bowl.

8. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim ~~6~~ 7, wherein the abutments are provided on mutually opposite end regions of the side wall of the carrying body.

9. (Previously Presented) A device for dispensing a liquid active substance into flushing water of a toilet bowl, comprising:

a supply container provided with an opening on an underside, and being fillable with the liquid active substance;

a carrying body retaining the supply container, said carrying body affixable on a rim of the toilet bowl,

a distributor plate retained on an underside of the carrying body, said distributor plate being reachable by the flushing water and having capillary channels which are connected

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to the opening of the supply container via distributor channels;
and

a wall integrally formed on the distributor plate, said wall partially engaging over the carrying body and extending along a side located opposite the capillary channels and, at least in part, over adjoining end sides of the distributor plate, wherein a sealing groove is formed on the inside of the wall and a correspondingly shaped sealing lip of the carrying body engages said sealing groove.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented). The device according to claim 1, wherein the distributor plate has a hollow with a siphon in the bottom, said hollow being located near the capillary channels and said siphon having an over-flow edge that is below the capillary channels.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 10, wherein the hollow in the distributor plate is formed as a groove, which, at an open end of the capillary channels, serves as the end running crossways, said groove having a depth that is deep enough so that the siphon with its over-flow edge remains under the capillary channels.

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Claim 12 (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 10, wherein the hollow in the distributor plate is formed as a shaft, said shaft extending over several capillary channels and being connected to a cross-groove at an open end of the capillary channels.

Claim 13. (New) A device for dispensing a liquid active substance into flushing water of a toilet bowl, comprising:

a supply container provided with an opening on an underside, and being fillable with the liquid active substance;

a carrying body retaining the supply container, said carrying body affixable on a rim of the toilet bowl,

a distributor plate retained on an underside of the carrying body, said distributor plate being reachable by the flushing water and having capillary channels which are connected to the opening of the supply container via distributor channels, said distributor channels being branched at an acute angle at least one time over their entire length and extend from an encircling groove till to said capillary channels to form a wedge

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at each branching location, wherein each distributor channel is connected continuously with at least two of said capillary channels at said end.

Claim 14 (New) A device for dispensing a liquid active substance into flushing water of a toilet bowl, comprising:

a supply container provided with an opening on an underside, and being fillable with the liquid active substance;

a carrying body retaining the supply container, said carrying body affixable on a rim of the toilet bowl,

a distributor plate retained on an underside of the carrying body, said distributor plate being reachable by the flushing water and having capillary channels which are connected to the opening of the supply container via distributor channels, wherein said distributor plate has a hollow section with a siphon in a bottom region said hollow section being located near said capillary channels and said siphon having an over-flow edge that is below the capillary channels.